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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

HIROYAMA, Ryouji et al.

Group Art Unit: **2815**

Serial No.: **09/669,448**

Examiner: **Matthew C. Landau**

Filed: **September 25, 2000**

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**FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING
THE SAME**

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.312

MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 9, 2004

Sir:

Applicants received a Notice of Allowance dated **March 26, 2004** in connection with the above-identified application. It is respectfully requested that the following amendment be made to claim 2 of this application: